

CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A method in a data processing system for processing user input, the method comprising the data processing system implemented steps of:
 displaying a graphical widget on a display device within the data processing system, wherein the graphical widget is displayed using a first size; and
 responsive to receiving a selected user input, resizing a display of the graphical widget on the display device to a second size for receiving user input, wherein the second size is larger than the first size.
- 10 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the selected user input is a first selected user input and further comprising:
 responsive to receiving a second selected user input, resizing the display of the graphical widget on the display device to the first size.
- 15 20 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the second size is a percentage of the first size.
- 25 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the graphical widget is a text field for receiving user input.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the graphical widget is a graphical control.
- 30 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the data processing

system is a personal digital assistant.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein the data processing system is a personal computer.

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8. The method of claim 1, wherein the data processing system is a laptop computer.

9. The method of claim 1, wherein the graphical widget
10 is a first graphical widget and further comprising:

displaying a second graphical widget in association with the first graphical widget; and

responsive to receiving a user input on the second graphical widget, resizing the display of the first
15 graphical widget on the display device to the first size and removing the second graphical widget from the display device.

10. A method in a data processing system for processing user input, the method comprising the data processing system implemented steps of:

displaying an input field in a display in the data processing system, wherein the input field has a first size; and

25 resizing the input field on the display to a second size in response to a user input requiring a resizing of the input field, wherein the second size is larger than the first size.

30 11. The method of claim 10 further comprising:
receiving additional user input in the input field.

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12. The method of claim 10, wherein the user input is a first user input and further comprising:
responsive to a user input, resizing the input field to the first size on the display.

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13. The method of claim 10, wherein the data processing system is a personal digital assistant.

14. The method of claim 10, wherein the data processing system is a portable computer.

15. The method of claim 10 further comprising:
displaying a graphical object in association with the input field; and

15 responsive to receiving a user input on the graphical object, resizing the display of the graphical object on the display to the first size and removing the graphical object from the display.

20 16. A data processing system for processing user input, the data processing system comprising:

displaying means for displaying a graphical widget on a display device within the data processing system, wherein the graphical widget is displayed using a first size; and

25 first resizing means, responsive to receiving a selected user input, for resizing a display of the graphical widget on the display device to a second size for receiving user input, wherein the second size is larger than the first size.

17. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the

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selected user input is a first selected user input and further comprising:

5 second resizing means, responsive to receiving a second selected user input, for resizing the display of the graphical widget on the display device to the first size.

18. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the second size is a percentage of the first size.

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19. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the graphical widget is a text field for receiving user input.

15 20. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the graphical widget is a graphical control.

21. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the data processing system is a personal digital assistant.

20 22. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the data processing system is a personal computer.

25 23. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the data processing system is a laptop computer.

24. The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the graphical widget is a first graphical widget and further comprising:

30 displaying means for displaying a second graphical widget in association with the first graphical widget; and

resizing means, responsive to receiving a user input on the second graphical widget, for resizing the display of the first graphical widget on the display device to the first size and removing the second graphical widget
5 from the display device.

25. A data processing system for processing user input, the data processing system comprising:

displaying means for displaying an input field in a display in the data processing system, wherein the input field has a first size; and

resizing means for resizing the input field on the display to a second size in response to a user input requiring a resizing of the input field, wherein the
15 second size is larger than the first size.

26. The data processing system of claim 25 further comprising:

receiving means for receiving additional user input
20 in the input field.

27. The data processing system of claim 25, wherein the user input is a first user input and further comprising:

resizing means, responsive to a user input, for
25 resizing the input field to the first size on the display.

28. The data processing system of claim 25, wherein the data processing system is a personal digital assistant.

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29. The data processing system of claim 25, wherein the data processing system is a portable computer.

30. The data processing system of claim 25 further comprising:

displaying means for displaying a graphical object
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resizing means, responsive to receiving a user input
on the graphical object, for resizing the display of the
graphical object on the display to the first size and
removing the graphical object from the display.

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31. A computer program product in a computer readable
medium for processing user input, the computer program
product comprising:

first instructions for displaying a graphical widget
15 on a display device within the data processing system,
wherein the graphical widget is displayed using a first
size; and

second instructions, responsive to receiving a
selected user input, for resizing a display of the
graphical widget on the display device to a second size
for receiving user input, wherein the second size is
larger than the first size.

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32. A computer program product in a computer readable
25 medium for processing user input, the computer program
product comprising:

first instructions for displaying an input field in
a display in the data processing system, wherein the
input field has a first size; and

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second instructions for resizing the input field to
a second size in response to a user input requiring a
resizing of the input field, wherein the second size is

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larger than the first size.